

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

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AND CODING AND STORING IMAGE DATA

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 6, 2009, in connection with the above referenced patent application, the Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments and reconsideration in view of the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.